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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Hans Boehringer et al.

Application No.: 08/812,616

Filed: March 7, 1997

For: QUANTITATIVE LATERAL
FLOW ASSAYS AND DEVICES

Examiner: C. Chin

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AMENDMENT

Box DAC
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 1, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Petition for Revival of an Application Abandoned Unintentionally Under 37 CFR §1.137(b) accompanies this response.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 17 as follows.

17. (Amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the labeled first spb member is an antibody capable of binding the analyte.

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